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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

SUBJECT: Post-Mortem on the Intelligence
Community's Performance Before
and During the Mayaguez Incident

1. The Post-Mortem on the Mayaguez incident is attached.
2. In brief, the report concludes that the Community performed well, displaying both speed and flexibility. Some shortcomings were found, however, in the exchange of information among the various individuals and agencies of the US Government involved in the Mayaguez incident, and in the ability of the Intelligence Community to provide sufficient advance warning of possible dangers to US vessels in international shipping lanes off Cambodia.
3. The final section contains recommendations for remedial action. In particular, the recommendations deal with improved procedures for handling CRITIC messages and include plans for standardizing procedures in the intelligence and operations centers in the Washington area. Action is also recommended to ensure that all elements of the Government that might be involved in crisis monitoring and management are more closely linked--with emphasis on those systems that issue warnings to US ships and aircraft.

W. E. Colby

Attachment:



DOCUMENT TITLE An Examination of the Intelligence Community's Performance
Before and During the Mayaguez Incident of May 1975.

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August, 1975

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The ICS has reviewed the requested document and has indicated the sections which in its view require paraphrasing for protection of sensitive intelligence sources and methods. In view of the experience the Review Staff has acquired on these matters, your assistance is requested.

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Paraphrasing accomplished ✓

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

This is a sample memo that I propose for use for Mr. Colby to transmit Mayaguez Post-Mortems to a few top officials: Dr. Kissinger, Dr. Schlesinger, General Brown, plus Sisco, Byers for PFIAB, Ogilvie, and to the USIB Principals.

Would you be able to get a reading from General Wilson concerning the memo and the individuals? The IC Staff can handle the dissemination to the remaining people and organizations on the standard dissemination.

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